

Nawaz orders action against Muttahida's social body

By Our Staff Reporter

KARACHI, Jan 1: The Sindh government has been asked by Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif to immediately cancel the registration of Khidmat-i-Khalq Foundation and also institute criminal cases against it for "inciting people against the state" through an advertisement in newspapers.

According to well-placed sources, while presiding over a law and order meeting here on Friday, the prime minister showed anxiety over the content of an advertisement in the press on Friday by Khidmat-i-Khalq Committee of the Muttahida Qaumi Movement.

According to the advertisement, people have been told that the foundation had been doing social work for the past many years for thousands of people without taking into consideration any caste, creed and ethnicity.

What has created concern in the government circles is the details about the MQM and its workers, supporters and sympathisers' "plight" claiming that the party was at present faced with another state-sponsored operation.

The advertisement also says that the families of thousands of people affected by the operation had been leading a miserable life and a number of those did not have two square meals a day.

Babies of some of the families even did not have milk because of the imprisonment and detention of the family bread-earners in jails and police stations where they had been subjected to a worst kind of torture, according to the advertisement.

The sources said the government felt that the text seeking donations was a charge-sheet by the social welfare organization, which was beyond the ambit and purview of any such organization.